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Minutes of Meeting Held in Director's  
Conference Room, Administration Building  
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1045, 26 July 1955

Deputy Director of Central Intelligence  
Lieutenant General Charles P. Cabell  
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Special Assistant for Intelligence,  
Department of State  
Major General Robert A. Schow, acting for Assistant Chief of  
Staff, G-2, Department of the Army  
Rear Admiral Robert W. Cavenagh, acting for Director of Naval  
Intelligence, Department of the Navy  
Major General Millard Lewis, acting for Director of Intelligence,  
Headquarters, United States Air Force  
Rear Admiral Edwin T. Layton, Deputy Director for Intelligence,  
The Joint Staff  
Mr. Charles H. Reichardt, acting for Atomic Energy Commission  
representative to the IAC  
Mr. Ralph Roach, acting for Assistant to the Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

ALSO PRESENT

Mr. Robert Amory, Jr., Central Intelligence Agency

Mr. Sherman Kent, Central Intelligence Agency

Mr. Otto E. Guthe, Central Intelligence Agency

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Mr. Howard Furnas, Department of State

Mr. M. Burgin, Department of State

Mr. Richard K. Stuart, Department of State

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Lieutenant Colonel V. J. Fenili, Department of the Army  
Lieutenant Colonel D. L. Husman, Department of the Army  
Captain C. C. Coley, Department of the Navy  
Commander H. B. Vickery, Department of the Navy  
Colonel Willis B. Sawyer, Department of the Air Force  
Lieutenant Colonel Van A. Woods, Jr., Department of the Air Force  
Mr. Samuel S. Rockwell, Department of the Air Force  
Mr. Benjamin Weems, Department of the Air Force  
Colonel Robert Totten, USAF, The Joint Staff  
Colonel John E. Leary, USA, The Joint Staff  
Colonel A. Ward Gillette, USA, The Joint Staff  
Colonel Ralph H. Wade, USAF, The Joint Staff

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1. Probable Developments  
in Laos  
(NIE 63. 3-55)

Approved as amended.

2. Approval of Minutes  
19 July Meeting  
(IAC-M-204)

Approved, as amended at item 5 c to read: "Admiral Layton, while noting that the term 'capability' was fully defined as used in the report, pointed out that this was a specialized usage."

3. Watch Committee Report  
No. 259

Noted. Admiral Layton noted that his customers were very pleased with the new format of the reports.



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6. Release to SHAPE and SACLANT  
Headquarters of Estimates of  
Indications of Soviet Military  
Aggression  
(IAC-D-6/11. 1, 15 July 1955)

a. The members approved the Watch Committee's recommendation on SHAPE's request.

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b. The Chairman suggested that a personal letter also be sent to General Schweizer, explaining the reason for the IAC action. The Army member undertook to write General Schweizer inasmuch as G-2 is executive agent in this case.

7. Direct Provision of Intelligence Information by the National Security Agency to the National Indications Center  
(IAC-D-6/12.1, 15 July 1955)

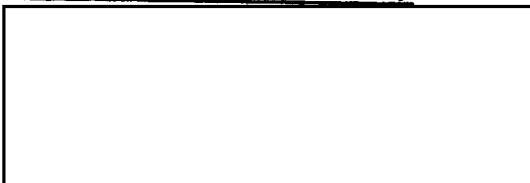
Approved. The Chairman and the State, the Joint Staff, the Air Force, and the Army members spoke in favor of the position taken by the Watch Committee, emphasizing that the purpose of the plan is to insure that no item of intelligence information be overlooked, which of itself or in relation to other information might be of critical importance. The Navy member based his objection on the possible establishment of an undesirable precedent leading to an increase in the flow of unevaluated information to the NIC. After receiving assurances that this would not be the case, he withdrew his objection.

8. Designation of Chairman of Ad Hoc Guided Missile Intelligence Survey Committee  
(IAC-D-81/12.1, 22 July 1955)

The Chairman asked for nominations, and General Schow nominated the Air Force member of the ad hoc Committee. General Lewis declined, and nominated the CIA member. At the request of the Air Force member, the Army member withdrew his nomination and [redacted] of CIA, was designated Chairman.

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9. IAC Task Force to Study



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was accepted. Members were requested to provide the Secretary with the names of their representatives on this task force.

10. State Department Report  
on the French Attitude  
toward Budgetary Arms  
Control between World  
War I and World War II

In response to the Chairman's query last week, Mr. Armstrong said that the State Department had examined its files and found that the French had been on both sides of proposals for budgetary arms controls between 1929 and 1933.

11. Post-Geneva Estimate on  
Motivations and Intentions  
of the USSR

Mr. Amory asked the State Department member when State would like a post-Geneva estimate on Soviet intent to be produced. Mr. Armstrong said that in view of the fact that the USSR has not yet commented on some of the Western proposals made at Geneva, consideration of the scheduling of this estimate should be delayed at least until next week's IAC meeting. The members agreed.

12. Release of EIC-R.1-S4:  
Report on Communist  
China's Trade and  
Transport  
(IAC-D-42/11, 12 July 1955)

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Approved the release of the report [Redacted]

Adjournment: 11:50

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SECRETARY'S NOTE

1. Designation of new FBI Member: The Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, has notified the Chairman, Intelligence Advisory Committee, by letter dated 22 July 1955, that Assistant Director A. H. Belmont has been named as the Bureau's representative on the IAC, vice Mr. L. V. Boardman. Mr. R. R. Roach will continue as the designated alternate.

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3. Copies of NIE 11-5-55 "Air Defense of the Sino-Soviet Bloc," dated 12 July 1955, were released

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5. Unless objection is raised by a member at the next regular meeting of the IAC, the Secretary proposes to release to USIA, NIE 63.3-55 "Probable Developments in Laos," 26 July 1955, and

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